

BUSINESS OF ALL KINDS IMPROVING.

Newark Factories Adding to Their Lists of Employees—Same Conditions Elsewhere.

NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 4.—Trade revivals are reported from many quarters of this large manufacturing city. In the leather business the outlook is good for this Spring. S. Halsey & Son are steadily increasing the force of men in their leather factory, and report increasing sales. T. P. Howell & Co., another big leather firm, are working a full force of men nine hours a day. The firm was working on half time less than two months ago. Hugh Smith, Stengle & Rothschild, and Henry Lang, who employ hundreds of men at their tanneries, report that full time is being made by all. In the kindred shoe industry, L. Boyden & Co., Johnson & Murphy, and J. A. Bannister & Co., whose employes have been working three-quarter time, are now running their shops on full time.

The T. B. Peddle trunk factory is receiving enough orders to warrant greater activity in its working rooms. Revivals are also reported by the Sargeant Manufacturing Company, makers of saddlery hardware; the Watts-Campbell Machine Company, the Balbach Smelting Works, Lissa & Co., makers of bags and trunks, and the Heller & Merz ultramarine blue works. All are running now with full complements of men.

Several of the employes of the Marshall Linen Mill in Kearney were notified yesterday that their working time, beginning tomorrow morning, would be increased by an extra two hours each day. The employes in the thread end of the Mile End Thread Company, in Kearney, were notified yesterday that, beginning on Monday, they would work on full time until further notice. They will report on Monday morning at 7 o'clock, instead of 8 o'clock, as formerly. The employes are jubilant over the notice.

The General Electric Works of Harrison, formerly the Edison Lamp Works, where about 1,000 hands are employed, are running on more than regular time, all departments being at work until 7:30 o'clock every night, and in some instances wages are being raised. The Montgomery-Abbot Last Company of Mechanic Street and Exchange Alley have been running day and night for two months. The New-Jersey Zinc Works, on the Passaic River front, are employing 150 men now ten hours a day. The company is making big improvements, and expects soon to have 300 men at work.

Mr. Denman, Superintendent of the steel works of Benjamin Atha & Illingworth Company, says that since the 1st of January business has been picking up steadily. He reports good prospects for Spring. The Monitor Iron Works have resumed work, after being idle a month. Finter & Co. report that their business in wagon manufacturing is improving. Mr. Meeker of the firm of Passmore & Meeker says the prospects are good in his business, especially in the woodwork department.

ELWOOD, Ind., Feb. 4.—Col. A. L. Conger of Akron, Ohio, was in this city to-day and announced that on Monday twenty more pots would be started at the Diamond Plate Glass Works here. This will raise the number of hands to 200, and the factory will soon be running at its full capacity.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the American Tin Plate Company to-day, at which President A. L. Conger was present, it was decided to double the capacity of the plant, as it has been found impossible to fill orders at the present rate of production—3,000 boxes a week. With the increased facilities, they will employ 700 men and turn out 1,000 boxes a day.

SOUTH AMBOY, N. J., Feb. 4.—The Ashland emery mills of Perth Amboy, which have been closed for several months, will resume business on Monday with a full force of employes.